Week 10b: Activity Key

Last Time

- Fitting GP models
- Kriging with plug-in estimates

This week

- Stationarity
- Locations close are more similar, but how? -> Variograms

Stationarity

Assume the spatial process, Y(s) has a mean, $\mu(s)$, and that the variance of Y(s) exists everywhere.

The process is **strictly stationary** if: for any $n \geq 1$, any set of n sites $\{s_1, \ldots, s_n\}$ and any $h \in \mathcal{R}^r$ (typically r =2), the distribution of $(Y(s_1), \ldots, Y(s_n))$ is the same as $(Y(s_1+h), \ldots, Y(s_n+h))$

Weak stationarity, or second-order stationarity of a spatial process, requires a constant mean and covariance that is a function of h, Cov(Y(s), Y(s+h)) = C(h), where C(h) is a covariance function that only requires the separation vector h.

Typically with spatial models, the process is assumed to be mean zero as covariates explain the mean structure. So second-order stationarity is primarily focused on the covariance structure.

A third kind of stationarity, known as intrinsic stationarity, describes the behavior of differences in the spatial process, rather than the data.

Intrinsic stationarity assumes ${\cal E}[Y(s+h)-Y(s)]=0$ then define

$$E[Y(s+h)-Y(s)]^2=Var(Y(s+h)-Y(s))=2\gamma(h),$$

which only works, and satisfies intrinsic stationarity, if the equation only depends on h.

Variograms

Variograms, defined as $2\gamma(h)$ are often used to visualize spatial patterns:

• If the distance between points is small, the variogram is expected to be small

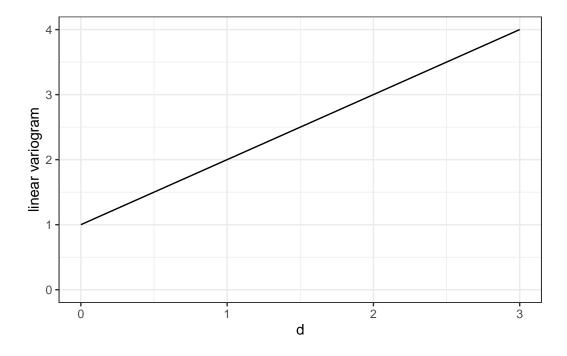
• As the distance between points increases, the variogram increases

There is a mathematical link between the covariance function C(h) and the variogram $2\gamma(h)$.

Linear semivariogram

$$\gamma(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2 d & \text{if } d > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

```
tau.sq <- 1
sigma.sq <- 1
d <- seq(0,3, by =.01)
lin.gam <- tau.sq + sigma.sq * d
lin.var <- data.frame(d=d, lin.gam = lin.gam)
ggplot(data = lin.var, aes(x=d, y=lin.gam)) +
    geom_line() +
    ylim(0,4) +
    ylab('linear variogram') +
    theme_bw()</pre>
```



Nugget, sill, partial-sill, and range

Nugget is defined as $\gamma(d): d \to 0_+$

Sill is defined as $\gamma(d):\ d\to\infty$

Partial sill is defined as the sill – nugget

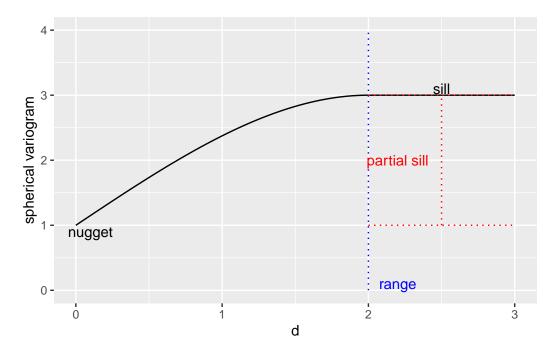
Range is defined as the first point where $\gamma(d)$ reaches the sill. Range is sometimes $(1/\phi)$ and sometimes ϕ depending on the paremeterization.

Spherical semivariogram:

$$\gamma(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2 & \text{if } d \ge 1/\phi \\ \tau^2 + \sigma^2 \left[\frac{3\phi d}{2} - \frac{1}{2} (\phi d)^3 \right] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Sketch, or generate in R, a spherical semivariogram
- On this figure label the nugget, sill, partial sill, and range.

Spherical semivariogram: Solution



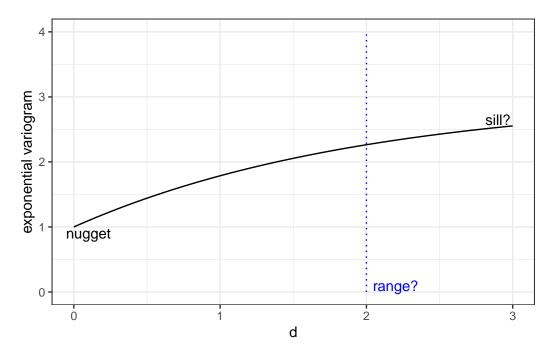
Exponential

We saw the exponential covariance earlier in class, what is the mathematical form of the covariance?

$$C(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2 \text{ if } d = 0\\ \sigma^2 \exp(-d/\phi) \text{ if } d > 0 \end{cases}$$

The variogram is

$$\gamma(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2(1 - \exp(-d/\phi)) & \text{if } d > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



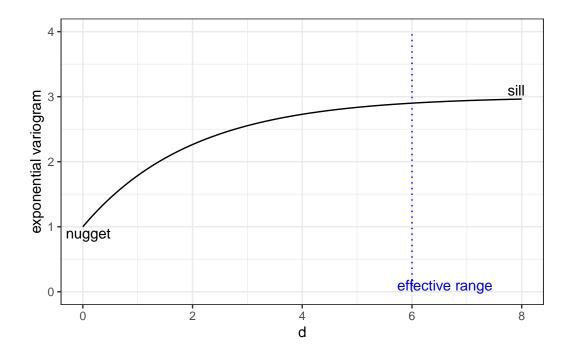
The sill is only reached asymptotically when

$$\lim_{d\to\infty} \exp(-d/\phi) \to 0$$

Thus, the range, defined as distance where semivariogram reaches the sill is ∞

The effective range is defined as the distance where there is effectively no spatial structure. Generally this is determined when the correlation is .05.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \exp(-d_o/\phi) & = & .05 \\ d_0/\phi & = & -\log(.05) \\ d_0 & \approx & 3\phi \end{array}$$



More Semivariograms: Equations

Gaussian:

$$\gamma(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2(1 - \exp(-\phi^2 d^2)) \text{ if } d > 0 \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Powered Exponential:

$$\gamma(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2(1 - \exp(-|\phi d|^p)) \text{ if } d > 0 \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Matérn:

$$\gamma(d) = \begin{cases} \tau^2 + \sigma^2 \left[1 - \frac{(2\sqrt{\nu}d\phi)^\nu}{2^{\nu-1}\Gamma(\nu)} K_\nu(2\sqrt{\nu}d\phi) \right] & \text{if } d > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

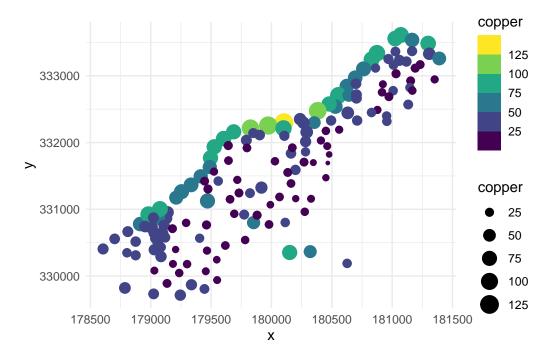
where K_{ν} is a modified Bessel function and $\Gamma()$ is a Gamma function.

#Variogram Creation: How?

```
data(meuse)
meuse.small <- meuse %>% select(x, y, copper) %>% as_tibble()
meuse.small %>% head(15) %>% kable()
```

| X | У | copper |
|--------|--------|--------|
| 181072 | 333611 | 85 |
| 181025 | 333558 | 81 |
| 181165 | 333537 | 68 |
| 181298 | 333484 | 81 |
| 181307 | 333330 | 48 |
| 181390 | 333260 | 61 |
| 181165 | 333370 | 31 |
| 181027 | 333363 | 29 |
| 181060 | 333231 | 37 |
| 181232 | 333168 | 24 |
| 181191 | 333115 | 25 |
| 181032 | 333031 | 25 |
| 180874 | 333339 | 93 |
| 180969 | 333252 | 31 |
| 181011 | 333161 | 27 |

```
meuse |>
  ggplot(aes(x = x , y=y, size = copper, color = copper)) +
  geom_point() +
  scale_color_viridis_b() +
  theme_minimal()
```



Variogram Creation: Steps

- 1. Calculate distances between sampling locations
- 2. Choose grid for distance calculations
- 3. Calculate empirical semivariogram

$$\hat{\gamma}(d_k) = \frac{1}{2N(d_k)} \sum_{s_i, s_i, \in N(d_k)} \left[Y(s_i) - Y(s_j) \right]^2, \label{eq:gamma_def}$$

where

$$N(d_k) = \{(s_i, s_j) : ||s_i - s_j|| \in I_k\}$$

and I_k is the k^{th} interval.

4. Plot the semivariogram

Variogram Creation: How - Step 1

Calculate Distances between sampling locations

```
#dist(meuse.small)
dist.mat <- dist(meuse.small %>% select(x,y))
```

Variogram Creation: How - Step 2

Choose grid for distance calculations

```
cutoff <- max(dist.mat) / 3 # default maximum distance
num.bins <- 15
bin.width <- cutoff / 15</pre>
```

Variogram Creation: How - Step 3

Calculate empirical semivariogram

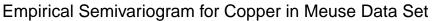
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summarize(emp.sv = .5 * mean(diff))
vario.dat
```

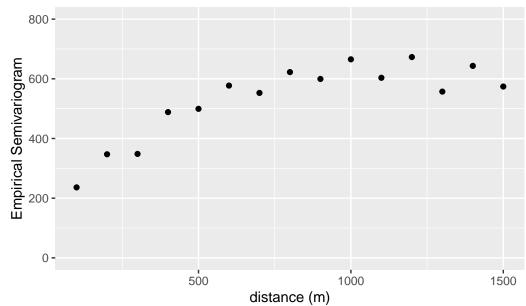
```
# A tibble: 15 x 2
    bin emp.sv
  <dbl> <dbl>
      1
         236.
1
2
      2
         347.
3
         348.
4
      4
         488.
5
      5
         499.
6
      6
         577.
7
      7
         553.
8
         623.
      8
9
      9
         600.
10
     10
         665.
11
     11
         603.
12
     12
         673.
13
     13
         557.
14
     14
         643.
15
     15
         574.
```

Variogram Creation: How - Step 4

Plot empirical semivariogram

```
vario.dat %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=bin, y= emp.sv)) +
  geom_point() + xlim(0,15) + ylim(0,800) +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks=c(5, 10, 15), labels =c('500','1000','1500')) +
  ggtitle('Empirical Semivariogram for Copper in Meuse Data Set') +
  xlab('distance (m)') + ylab('Empirical Semivariogram')
```





Now given this empirical semivariogram, how to we choose a semivariogram (and associated covariance structure) and estimate the parameters in that function??

Variogram Creation: R function

```
coordinates(meuse) = ~x+y
variogram(copper~1, meuse) %>% plot()
```

